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**BRAMBLETON.**

Rev. W. R. Proctor, pastor of McKendree M. E. Church, preached to a large congregation last night on the duty of forming good resolutions and carrying them into practice.

The Inasmuch Circle of the King's Daughters cordially invite their friends and the public to the supper to-night, corner of Park and Brambleton avenues, for the benefit of the poor of the ward.

The following program will be rendered at the "purple tea" to be given at the residence of Mrs. Fentress, No. 214 Clay avenue to-night:  
Piano Solo—Miss Moses.  
Vocal Solo—Mrs. Pattee.  
Reading—Mr. Preston Burgess.  
Vocal Solo—Miss Mary Elizabeth Williams.  
Vocal Solo—Miss Julia Ashburn.

Supper will be served from 7:30 to 9 o'clock p. m.

An important church conference will be held at Trinity M. E. Church to-night for the purpose of fixing the new pastor's salary and providing for the various assessments upon the church. Every member is earnestly requested to be present.

There have been between twenty-five and thirty conversions at the Christian Memorial Temple. The meeting last night was one of unusual interest.

Two marriages are booked to come off in the ward in the near future.

The Anna Gordon Y's will give a musical and literary entertainment at the home of Miss Evie Johnakin next Tuesday night in the place of the "colonial reception," which has been postponed until a later date.

**ATLANTIC CITY.**

A delightful social entertainment was given at the home of Miss Willie Stubbs, on Camp avenue, Tuesday night. About twenty-five guests were present, and the evening hours were pleasantly spent in listening to the sweet strains of music and in the enjoyment of the mazes of the dance. At the close a sumptuous repast was served.

Rev. T. C. Skinner, of Berkley, will preach at Burrows Memorial Baptist Church, Lambert's Point, at 7:30 o'clock to-night.

An overflow audience attended the entertainment given by the Earnest Workers of Central Avenue Baptist Church at Odd Fellows' Hall last night, and all were highly delighted with the pleasing attractions presented. Miss Daisy Cotton and Miss Annie Coker rendered several rare selections in vocal and instrumental music, and the presentation of the tableau, "Home, Sweet Home," was well received. The entertainment closed with the presentation

## THE ELECTION OF SENATORS

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Alabama, to repeal the war stamp tax act, and by Mr. Hale for the construction of a Pacific cable by the Navy Department, to be operated by the Post-office Department, and appropriating \$11,000,000 for this purpose.

**PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS.**  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—The President to-day made the following nominations to the Senate:

State—Heaton W. Harris, of Ohio, to be consul at Mannheim, Germany.

War—Brigadier General Leonard Wood, United States Volunteers, to be Major General of Volunteers.

Colonels to be brigadiers general: Edward R. Kellogg, Thirty-fifth United States Volunteers; Gilbert S. Carpenter, Thirty-fifth United States Volunteers; William A. Kobbie, Thirty-fifth United States Volunteers; J. Franklin Bell, Thirty-sixth United States Volunteers.

In addition to the new army appointments and the consuls sent to the Senate to-day there were also a large number of appointments made during the recess, which were filed.

Among the more important were: Elihu Root, of New York, to be Secretary of War; Joseph W. Fifer, of Illinois, to be interstate commerce commissioner; Bellamy Storer, of Ohio, to be minister to Spain; Lawrence Townsend, of Pennsylvania, to be minister to Belgium; J. N. Irwin, of Iowa, to be minister to Portugal; William P. Lord, of Oregon, to be minister to the Argentine Republic; A. S. Hardy, of New Hampshire, to be minister to Greece, Roumania and Servia. There was also a long list of army promotions and postmasters and a number of consuls.

The Senate confirmed the nomination of Mr. Root to be Secretary of War.

**HOUSE FINANCE BILL APPROVED.**

Washington, Dec. 6.—The Republican members of the House of Representatives gave their unanimous approval to-day to the House financial bill recently introduced, and recommended its immediate consideration and passage, with two minor amendments. This was accomplished at the caucus held in the hall of the House during the afternoon by the adoption of the following resolution:

"Resolved, That H. R. 1, entitled 'A bill to define and fix the standard of value, to maintain the parity of all forms of money issued or coined by the United States, and for other purposes,' be, and the same is hereby approved, and its immediate consideration by the House, and passage after reasonable debate, is recommended and urged."

In pursuance of this resolution Mr. Overstreet, of Indiana, who introduced the bill and is in general charge of it, to-morrow will submit a resolution asking that a special rule be reported for the immediate consideration of this measure. The terms of this special rule are practically agreed upon, and provide that the debate will begin next Monday, with a final vote at the close of the week.

**THE ROBERTS CASE.**

**THE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE TO MEET TO-DAY.**

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)

Washington, Dec. 6.—Representative Taylor, of Ohio, chairman of the special committee to investigate the case of Mr. Roberts, of Utah, has called a meeting of the committee for 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. Taylor says this initial meeting will be to determine upon a general line of action. He could not say how soon the committee would be able to report, although Mr. Taylor expressed the opinion that the inquiry would proceed with all due expedition as the claimant was entitled to an early decision. While the chairman would not speak for the committee, he said he had no doubt that Mr. Roberts would be allowed to be present, with counsel, if he desired, and would be afforded the usual facilities to have his side presented. There were a number of witnesses in Washington, and some in Utah, but it is probable that the committee will not leave Washington, although there are some precedents for extending an inquiry to other points.

Mr. Taylor said the arguments in election cases were usually open to the public, but he had some doubt as to whether the hearings, particularly such as these details will be parts as involved family matters should be kept secret by the committee. Mr. Taylor said that the essential question was to secure a calm and unprejudiced consideration of the eligibility of the claimant.

**ROBERTS ON HAND.**

Mr. Roberts was about the House during the day. There was no session, and he was engaged most of the time in chatting with groups of members and visitors, who showed a friendly disposition toward him. He said he had no comment to make on the course of the House. He will probably look after his interests in person before the committee of inquiry.

**CASTORIA.**

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**The Supreme Court.**

In the State Supreme Court yesterday the cases considered were as follows:

Richmond Traction Company vs. Hillbrand, argued by John Pickrell for plaintiff in error, and Hill Montague and Hill Carter for defendant in error and continued until to-morrow.

City of Norfolk vs. Young, and Riverside Cotton Mills vs. Green are the next cases to be called—Nos. 30 and 31.

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**The Pope Again Ill.**

Rome, Dec. 6.—The Pope is suffering from a sudden cold and experiences some difficulty in breathing. Dr. Lapponi, his physician, has ordered him to keep his bed, and the usual audiences have been suspended. The condition of His Holiness, however, is not regarded as alarming.

**Words of Praise From a Banker.**  
Mr. Chas. E. Currier, of the Atlanta National Bank, is very careful with his words, not only in financial matters, but in conversation generally. He suffered much from indigestion, and writes:  
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## A MAN BURNED AT THE STAKE

Crime Expiated in the Presence of Thousands of People.

**A HORRIBLE SPECTACLE**

A Kentucky Mob. Composed of Thousands of Men and Women, Take Negro Prisoner from Sheriff and Force Upon Him for Murdering a Woman—Husband Leads Lynchers.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)  
Maysville, Ky., Dec. 6.—Richard Coleman, colored, confessed murderer of Mrs. James Lashbrook, wife of his employer, expiated his crime in daylight to-day at the hands of a mob, consisting of thousands of citizens, by burning at the stake after suffering indescribable torture.

The dreadful spectacle occurred on the peaceful cricket grounds on the outskirts of this city. Just two months ago Richard Coleman, the trusted employe of Farmer James Lashbrook, murdered the woman who had been his benefactor. Coleman had been left in charge of the house, Mrs. Lashbrook had driven to Maysville and returned, when Coleman asked her to enter the cabin to look at some work at which he had been engaged. The negro pushed the door open, the inside, Mrs. Lashbrook became frightened and screamed. Coleman struck her on the head, knocking her down, but not stopping her cries. He then seized a razor and cut her throat. He picked up the bleeding body and placed it on the bed. He then left the room, but returning, heard her still groaning, and with an axe he struck her repeatedly on the head until he was sure she was dead. The negro washed the blood from his hands and clothing and went to where Mr. Lashbrook was at work in the field and told him that he had better come to the house, as some one had killed his wife.

**THE CONFESSION.**

It was not until after the officers arrived that suspicion was directed against Coleman. Spots had been found on his clothing, but he accounted for that by saying that he had been killing chickens. That night, however, at Maysville, a partial confession was obtained, and, knowing the result if that fact should become known, the officers quietly took him to Covington, Ky., for safe keeping. He was indicted for the murder. Shortly after his incarceration at Covington, he made a complete confession of his crime to the jailer. The story of his crime, including worse than murder, was told without any appearance of feeling by the prisoner.

**PARALYZED WITH FEAR.**

The trial was set for to-day. Sheriff Perrine determined to leave Covington by the train on the Chesapeake and Ohio, which started at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, from Cincinnati and Covington. Coleman had been apprised Tuesday night to prepare to return to the scene of his crime. He was instantly stricken with fear and begged pitifully to be permitted to remain in Covington until after his trial. He said he expected to die, but he dreaded the vengeance of a mob. When he was handcuffed on leaving the jail in Covington he was almost paralyzed and had to be assisted to the patrol wagon. On entering the train he seemed unable to sit down, until one of the guards forced him into a seat.

**ON THE LOOKOUT.**

It developed that in the crowd at Covington, and even on the train, there were some of the relatives of Mrs. Lashbrook, ready to convey information if any attempt was made to secrete the prisoner. Messages were sent here. The prisoner with his escort arrived at 10:20 o'clock. Sheriff Perrine, while en route to Maysville, had been informed that a mob was awaiting the arrival of the train at the depot, and he hastily prepared for the swearing in of deputy sheriffs. As the train pulled slowly into the old station the mob formed on both sides in two long but closely huddled crowds. Armed men stationed themselves at the platform of all the cars and warned the frightened passengers to remain quiet and not to interfere. The Sheriff and his assistants were strongly armed and there was some resistance as the leaders of the mob jostled roughly against them and demands were uttered from the outer fringes of the crowds for the prisoner.

**A BOLD MOVEMENT.**

Sheriff Perrine made a bold movement and started walking swiftly, but with no indications of panic from the car. A step behind him followed the officers with Coleman in their midst, seeking to conceal him behind the brawny forms of his protectors. As the officers proceeded the numbers of the mob were constantly swelled by new arrivals, and through the downtown business streets to the Courthouse they were closely followed. Hundreds of stones and other missiles were thrown and revolvers and rifles were freely displayed. The prisoner was frequently struck and he presented a frightful appearance, the blood streaming from wounds on his face and head.

**HUSBAND LEADS MOB.**

At the Courthouse a mob of over 2,000 men, headed by James Lashbrook, the husband, had been hastily formed. A demand for the prisoner was made. There was a brief struggle, in which weapons were hastily drawn by the officers, and then the Sheriff and his assistants were overcome by force of numbers and the prisoner was seized by the leaders of the mob. The prisoner was dragged along by ropes loosely attached to his body. He was the target again of hundreds of missiles and several times he sank half-conscious to the ground, while the crowd pressed forward, striking at him with clubs, sticks and whips until his head and body were scarcely recognizable. More dead than alive he was dragged along and forced to his feet. Scores of women joined the men. The wretch could be heard

## BERKLEY NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS

PEOPLE FAVOR BRIDGE

Expect Real Estate Boom as Result of the Movement.

Street Paving Contractor Throws up His Job—A Burglar Leaves His Girl's Picture—Church and Society News of the Town.

Many of the citizens, especially the real estate owners and merchants, are much interested in the proposed new railroad, street car and ferry system to connect Norfolk with Berkley. Some are opposed, but it is believed that the majority of the citizens of Berkley and Norfolk county would extend to the new enterprise an encouraging hand. The project which now seems to be nearing development has been predicted by a number of the citizens for the past two years, and such a line as described in yesterday's Virginian-Pilot was suggested in the same paper more than a year ago. Many of the citizens predict a land boom in the town of Berkley and suburbs if the proposed project is carried out.

**PAVED UP THE CONTRACT.**

The contract to pave, gutter and curb several of the principal streets of the town, given Mr. J. H. Armbricht, of this place, was given up by him this week and the contract was turned over to Messrs. Sands & Lawson, of Norfolk, who were the next lowest bidders. Most of the work was completed by Mr. Armbricht before the contract was dropped.

The latter gentlemen propose to push the work rapidly to a finish. The streets remaining to be curbed and guttered are Liberty, from Washington to the water front; Main, from Berkley to the river, and a portion of Pine street. Lee will probably be improved after the above named work is done. Some of the citizens think Pearl street should share in the improvements, as it is the only street affording access to the Portsmouth ferry. Citizens on Montant Avenue are also asking that the improvement be extended over to their portion of the town.

A number of citizens on Berkley Avenue complain of the high embankment left in front of their residences by the grading of the avenue to conform with a very low section of the same.

pleading for his life, but the cry of the prisoner was answered with an oath and a blow.

**THE FUNERAL PYRE.**

The place of execution had been selected weeks ago and all the other details of the program mapped out by the leaders of the mob. The prisoner was strapped against a tree, facing the husband of the victim. Large quantities of dry brush and larger bits of wood were piled around him while he was praying for speedy death. James Lashbrook, the husband of the victim, applied the first match to the brushwood. A brother of the victim struck the second match. Some one with a knife was vainly slashing at the prisoner's chest. Not a single shot was fired. The purpose seemed to be to give the wretch the greatest possible amount of torture. A fatal shot would have been merciful and there was no mercy in the crowd surrounding Richard Coleman.

**A PRAYER FOR WATER.**

The ropes securing him to the tree were burned and his body finally fell forward on the burning pile. The crowd used rails and long poles to push his body back into the flames. It is not certain how long life lasted. During the process, while his voice could be heard, he begged for a drink of water. At the end of three hours the body was practically cremated. During all that time members of the family of Mrs. Lashbrook had remained to keep up the fire.

In all the thousands who constituted the mob there was not a single effort made to disguise or conceal identity. No man wore a mask. All the leaders of the mob are well known and there are hundreds of witnesses who can testify to their participation in the tragedy. They are leading citizens in all lines of business and many are members of churches.

**THE LAW INVOKED.**

County Judge Hareson will empanel a special grand jury at once to make a speedy investigation and return indictments against the leaders of the mob.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 6.—Governor Bradley announced this afternoon that he will offer a reward for the apprehension of the members of the mob which burned Coleman at Maysville to-day.

**A REVOLTING FINALE.**

Maysville, Ky., Dec. 6.—The Coroner held an inquest on the charred remains of Richard Coleman and rendered the simple verdict, "Death at the hands of a mob." The body was left lying there at present has not been removed. Rife hunters took away teeth and bones and flesh and every fragment of the body that they could lay hands upon. All the afternoon children, some of them not more than 6 years old, kept up the fires on the blackened body by throwing grass, kindling wood, brush, bits of boards and everything combustible that they could gather.

The action of the mob seems to be generally approved, even by women, who think that hereafter they will be safer.

**THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETS**

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tor, designated to abolish the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit.

**IN THE HOUSE.**

In the House the same activity regarding the presentation of bills prevailed. Every member of that body was in his seat to-day, except Mr. Harry J. Ayers, of Wise county.

**MR. WHITEHEAD'S BILLS.**

Among the bills introduced was one by Mr. John Whitehead, of Norfolk, for the relief of the Atlantic City Water Front Company; also a bill to increase the pay of the judge of the

**LIVE NOTES OF THE TOWN.**  
Sadie, the 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gentes, while swinging on a limb of a tree that had been cut down recently on Liberty street yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock, lost her hold and fell several feet, breaking her right arm near the shoulder. Dr. Morgan was called in and set the broken limb. She was resting quietly last night.

Dr. W. D. McConville, who has been confined to his home on Chestnut street for the past ten days from illness, was thought to be somewhat improved yesterday.

The office of W. W. Sylvester, real estate broker, at the foot of Chestnut street, was forcibly entered early yesterday morning, the roll-top desk and other furniture broken open and his papers scattered all over the floor. The burglar got no cash to reward his diligence, but in the haste of moving dropped and left on the floor a photograph of a colored girl. This has been put in the hands of a detective and may prove a clue to locating the would-be robber.

Mr. A. H. Martin, clerk of the County Court, and Mr. George G. Martin left yesterday morning for Ragged Island, Currituck Sound, N. C., on a hunting trip. They will return about Saturday or Monday.

Mrs. Harvey Bliven and sister, Miss Retter Bliven, left yesterday morning via Norfolk and Southern for Elizabeth City, N. C., where they will spend a week with friends.

Mr. W. G. Porter continues quite ill at the home of his parents, on Second street.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet at the residence of Mrs. Duncan, on Liberty street, this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

The social committee of the B. Y. P. U. will hold their regular monthly social session at the residence of Mrs. George Simpson, on Berkley Avenue and Second street, this evening at 8 o'clock. The young people are cordially invited to attend.

**BERKLEY ADVTs.**

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Mr. Whitehead also offered bills amending the present laws regarding the duties of the Board of Health and the State Board of Embalming.

He offered, also, a bill making it a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$100 for any person to wilfully wear the insignia, badge, or button of any labor or fraternal organization, or use the same to obtain assistance, unless he or she be entitled to wear it. Mr. Newburne offered a bill to amend the act "constituting one quarantine district of the Elizabeth river and its branches."

**A GRACEFUL ACT.**

A graceful act of the two bodies to-day was the passing of resolutions of respect for the memory of Col. John Bell Bigger. Many of the older members were considerably affected as they were read.

**STATE OFFICERS.**

The caucus to nominate State officers is to take place to-morrow night, at which time a United States Senator will also be chosen.

**Only Two Ways of Making Soap.**

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